

# UZBEKISTAN UPDATE

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## The Latest from Tashkent

**Sardor Umurzakov** (left), the former Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Trade and Foreign Investment (MIFT), was elevated to Head of the Presidential Administration of Pres. Shavkat Mirziyoyev in July, making him the No. 2 person in the presidential administration.

**Jamshid Khodjayev**, the former Minister of Agriculture, takes over as the new Deputy Prime Minister of MIFT.

## Tashkent's Historic Opportunity To Emerge As a Regional Leader



**Modern Diplomacy:** "Since taking office in 2016, President Shavkat Mirziyoyev has '**astonished and delighted his citizens with his enthusiasm for reform.**' In 2019, Mirziyoyev's decisive efforts to end forced labor in cotton fields earned Uzbekistan the honor of being named '**Country of the Year**' by The Economist magazine."

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### Spotlight on Constitutional Reforms

*There are more than 200 proposed amendments to Uzbekistan's Constitution, designed to make the 30-year-old document more democratic, more inclusive, more protective of human rights and more business-friendly.*

Proposed Amendment to Article 13:

**"Respect, observance, protection of the honor and dignity of a person, his rights and freedoms are the duty of the state."**

## Uzbekistan Embraces Heritage To Secure Cultural Future







**EURONEWS.NEXT:** "For six years now, our main goal has been the study, preservation and promotion of Uzbekistan's cultural heritage," says Firdavs Abdukhalikov, the Chairman of the board of the study of Preservation and Popularization of the Cultural Heritage of Uzbekistan. "For a number of reasons, Uzbekistan's cultural heritage ended up in various countries around the world and our aim is to consolidate it, in one catalogue. It is very important that people know of our cultural heritage."

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